

# LA FOLLETTE RAPS RECIPROcity BILL

Wisconsin Senator Bringing in Unfavorable Report on Measure—Declares It Was Framed for the Benefit of Big Interests.

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and the enjoyment of the home market has suffered so much to created, will continue to interpose between the consumer and the necessities of life. There will be a tariff on flour of 50 cents a barrel; on meats, of 1 1/2 cents the pound of fresh and prepared meats, and 20 cent on canned meats and extracts, on lard, 15 cents a gallon. But wheat, live stock, and flaxseed will come in free. Something far different from this is needed to reduce the cost of living.

"The President's pact will give no relief from the excessive cost of living in the tariff on manufactured goods. Canada is our formidable agricultural competitor; but Canada can never threaten our supremacy in manufacturing. If the President's statement that cost of production in the two countries is substantially alike is true as to manufacturing, it is not true as to agriculture. Our great factories over a tariff wall?

"The publishers are promised a free market for their paper, for which they spend about \$55,000,000 annually. They have been subjected to extortion, to exactions unwarranted by conditions in the pulp and paper industry, at the hands of an unlawful trust.

## Case of Paper Trust.

"The paper manufacturers deny the existence of this trust, but against this, denials are ineffectual. Pleas of quality, convictions and fines, or record in more than fifty instances. These conditions demand immediate relief.

"But they should be dealt with directly, not by indirectness. Recent investigations by the tariff board show that with the exception of certain varieties of pulp, we can make paper on an even basis with Canada. We should require no tariff on paper from print paper. It is not the duty of the Executive to secure this concession from Canada at the expense of our agricultural interests.

"This whole scheme is an invasion of the legislative branch of government by the Executive. It is plain tariff revision, and more iniquitous than the Payne revision. It is not scientific. It is not the product of the tariff board, which has no power to make tariff schedules. It comes before us with all the pressure of the Administration behind it. We have the same injustice on the public. This is not the kind of tariff revision demanded by the American people.

## Sees Complications Ahead.

"This pact, if ratified, will involve us in serious complications with other countries. It will force upon us the dilemma of making like bargains with the great nations, under the most favored clause, and the maximum and minimum provisions of the tariff. This pact will force us to establish a new set of minimum tariff rates, under new negotiations by the Department of State, with any country demanding the same treatment as Canada.

"The gross injustice of the proposed measure tells me to oppose it. I recognize no canon of right and fair dealing that will permit me to support it in its present form. If, however, it is to be enacted, it should not pass without amendments in the interest of the great body of consumers, including the farmers, who are compelled to carry all the burdens of the President's one-sided pact. If the farmer is to be legislated out of \$50,000,000 to \$70,000,000 to help the ill railroads to larger profits, and the newspapers to free themselves from trust extortion, then we should avail ourselves of this opportunity to reduce in some reasonable measure the excessive tariff burdens and high prices which the farmers and other consumers are compelled to pay for all they buy.

## To Revise Other Schedules.

"I propose amendments for complete revision of the woolen and cotton schedules and structural iron and steel; also the sugar schedule. Such revision downward, while reducing revenues less than \$10,000,000, will lower prices to consumers more than \$20,000,000 a year. I shall ask that manufacturers of wool

in schedule K be placed squarely on an ad valorem basis, with an average reduction of 35 per cent. Schedule K, with its fraudulent compensatory duties and unfair discrimination in favor of the worsted and against the carded wool makers, and its iniquitous discrimination against the poor man's, and in favor of the rich man's cloth, have all been exposed. My amendments, if adopted, will wipe out completely these inequalities without affecting the wool grower, and providing ample protection for all manufacturers.

"The cotton tariff lays its unreasonable burdens on the masses who cannot afford expensive cotton goods. It does this by complex and unfair classifications. My amendments contemplate an average reduction of 7 per cent ad valorem, and if adopted will at a stroke eliminate these excesses and discriminations, which cost the consuming public, especially that portion least able to pay, not less than \$50,000,000 annually.

"In this amendment, however, as in the wool schedule, I have left the margin in favor of the manufacturer pending the report of the tariff board for guidance as to difference in cost of production here and abroad.

Senator McCumber, who is utterly opposed to reciprocity, attacked the bill as unjust to American farmers. Seven reasons were set forth by Senator McCumber why he was opposed to the bill. Not the least important was the seventeenth. He said: "This measure is subversive of the idea of protection and if enacted into law will overthrow that policy.

"If this bill is just and right the committee ought to say so. If it is unjust and wrong the committee should so report.

"The enactment of this bill would be a great injustice to the agricultural interests of all the Northern States for the following reasons: The occupation of farming today pays a less profit upon the capital and labor actually employed therein than any other important occupation in the United States.

Why Measure Is Wrong. "Therefore, any legislation, the effect of which would be to make this occupation less profitable, is both wrong and inexpedient.

"The contrary, so far as it can be accomplished by legislative enactment, the business of farming should be made more remunerative and inviting. For the past few years this occupation in the Northern States has shown an increasing profitability as our production and consumption of food products more nearly approached each other.

"But we no longer stand upon these and better conditions when we are secured to our labor and for capital invested in farms and farm property a more fair and just remuneration, than we find in the present tariff.

"By destroying, as it truly does destroy, the farmer of the benefits of the President's one-sided pact, we demand and his secure just compensation. We will again check our development and send the sands of the sons of the west to crowd the cities. For a number of years western farmers have been crowded out of the market for their products. A few years ago they were bringing for export products a price of 10 cents a bushel for wheat and 15 cents for corn. Now they are bringing for export products a price of 5 cents a bushel for wheat and 10 cents for corn.

"It is claimed by porters of this measure export grain from a 'tariff' and fixed by the tariff not true today and for a number of years.

## Petition From Farmers

Like Hay B. Resists of Vice Pre dent's Pa

When Senators at ate Chamber at 2 o'clock they were amazed to find a pile of petitions on their desks. It proved to be a petition from the State of Minnesota. It is signed by 3,000 farmers. It took the load up to the President.

## Woman Dr

HAGERSTOWN, Md., June 12.—A woman, Amanda Beard, ended her life by Paris green, at the residence of Mrs. William Beard, at Hagerstown, Md., on Tuesday, June 12, at 10 a. m.

Maloney—On Monday, June 12, 1911, at 6:30 p. m., at her residence, 238 G street northeast, HONORABLE, wife of Michael Maloney.

PRENTISS—On Tuesday, June 6, 1911, at her residence, 1208 Fifteenth street northwest, MARIA TRAPIER, widow of the Rev. Mrs. Prentiss, of Charleston, S. C., in the seventieth year of her age. Interment at Charleston, S. C., on Wednesday, June 7.

REAMES—On Monday, June 12, 1911, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur S. Reames, 615 North Carolina avenue southeast, ABEL T. REAMES, in the seventy-third year of his age. Interment at Richmond, Iowa.

## IN MEMORIAM

BROWN—In sad and loving remembrance of my beloved son, EMERY F. BROWN, who died seven years ago today, June 13, 1904. God seven years ago today Called my son from earth away To land of bliss, to land of rest, To land of eternal happiness. Sleep on, dear son, till the final day. When all the mists have cleared away. We'll meet you there, yes, one and all, To help you crown Him Lord of All. Gone but not forgotten. BY HIS MOTHER.

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# STATE DEPARTMENT PROBERS UNCOVER

Knox Must Explain Payment to Hale—Michael Voucher Strangely Found.

After a hearing fraught with startling disclosures, the House Committee on Expenditures in the State Department was convinced today that it is on the trail of some peculiar ways of doing business in that department.

The payment of \$5,000 to Frederick Hale, son of former Senator Eugene Hale of Maine, for the boundary commission found on the sole authority of a blank voucher O. K'd by Secretary Knox, was related by Disbursing Officer Morrison, and the committee issued another subpoena for Mr. Knox, returnable tomorrow, when he will be asked to explain the payment to Hale.

Morrison also announced the committee by declaring that the long-lost voucher on which the \$5,000 payment of the department, was given \$450 to pay for a \$500 portrait, has been found. Morrison said he had no idea where it came from, but that it had been discovered by a messenger in a quantity of waste paper on the floor of his own office a week ago. Pinned to the voucher when it was found, Morrison said was a note of explanation by Michael.

Morrison altered his former testimony regarding this transaction by having that instead of giving Michael a check, he drew a check in his own favor, cashed it at the Treasury and turned the cash over to Michael.

Morrison Sharply Quizzed. The committee grilled Morrison rather strenuously on his testimony. He was pressed to turn up. He declared a messenger cleaning the room found it near the waste basket.

Former Third Assistant Secretary of State Tom Criddle and several consuls were in his office during the day, Morrison declared.

"Did you ever try to find out how the voucher came to be on the floor in your room?" "No, I discussed it with no one."

"How far was the voucher from your desk when it was found?" "It was about eight feet."

"Don't you think it was placed there by someone?" asked Representative Davis of Minnesota.

"That is my impression," returned Morrison.

Morrison declared that he had turned over the voucher to the chief clerk of the department.

"Why did you do that?" asked Hamilton.

"Because he asked me for it," said Morrison.

Under a hot and heavy cross-examination by Hamilton and Ramsey, Morrison declared he had never received a receipt for the money from Michael.

Senators Employees' Fate Rests on Caucus Today

The Senate Republicans will hold a caucus this afternoon, following the session, for the purpose of considering the report of the Committee on Committee on Senate patronage.

If the report of the committee is adopted, a number of luckless Senate employees who no longer have Senators to stand as sponsors for them will be disconnected from the pay rolls. Much anxiety prevails among Senate employees today to know who will be dropped and who will not.

In the process of equalizing patronage among Senators, some of the employees will suffer. It appears a few Senators of long service have used drastic methods to get their friends on the pay rolls, and the result is they have much more than their share of patronage. Other Senators are in rebellion against this, and the caucus is going to try to work the whole problem out.

Four More Run Away And Wed at Rockville

ROCKVILLE, Md., June 12.—Miss Lucy Bryant, aged nineteen, and Rufus Fox Wrenn, aged twenty-two, both of Ashburn, Va., and Miss Annie Dancy, aged nineteen, and Joseph A. Hrabak, aged twenty-two, both of Washington, were among the out-of-the-county couples married in Rockville within the last day or two.

Within the next few days, the tollgates at White Oak, Leesville, and Sligo, on the Washington, Coleville, and Ashton turnpike will be abolished. Just as soon as the legal papers can be prepared the turnpike will be turned over to the county commissioners to be maintained at county expense, the commissioners agreeing to do away with the tollgates. The money to buy the turnpike will be raised by the issue of the bonds of the district deciding the proposition at a special election.

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# CAPITAL WILL HONOR STARS AND STRIPES

Schools, Government Departments, and Patriotic Organizations to Appropriately Observe Hundred and Thirty-Fourth Anniversary of Flag Tomorrow.

With patriotic exercises in the public schools, Government departments, and by various patriotic organizations, Flag Day, the 134th anniversary of the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the national emblem, will be appropriately celebrated in Washington tomorrow.

Arrangements for the speakers and exercises in the schools have been completed by A. S. Perham, patriotic instructor of the Department of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic, and Major Charles R. Douglas, assistant patriotic instructor. An elaborate celebration has been planned by employees of the Government Printing Office.

A platform has been erected on the G street side of the big printery, and Senator Borah and Speaker Clark will address the gathering, while Miss Jane Abercrombie will sing "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Perhaps the most elaborate preparations have been made by the Postoffice Department. A balcony has been built out into the Potomac river in front of the Postoffice Building and the exercises will be held there. From every floor of the building, with the exception of the first floor, the exercises can be seen.

The program will begin at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. After the assembly call by Mr. Taylor, the audience will sing "America." There will be selections by a male quartet and a brass quartet. Mrs. Walter A. Gawler will sing a soprano solo and Earl Carbaugh a baritone solo.

Central Labor Union will give a patriotic banquet at the Ebbitt House tomorrow night for the members of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, and the members of Congress who are active members of organized labor.

Observance to Be General. In Washington as in every other city and town in the country the Stars and Stripes will be displayed tomorrow on all public buildings and from many private residences.

Following its custom for the last fourteen years, the American Flag Association has sent out the following appeal for a general observance of the day: "We respectfully appeal to the President of the United States of America, to the governors of all States in our land, and to the mayors of every American city, to herald the coming and celebration of Flag Day, June 14, 1911, by proclamation; we call upon every public officer, every teacher of the youth of our country, the editors of all newspapers, the daily instructors of the youth of our land, to call public attention, to arouse enthusiasm, and to provide for public exercises and general celebration of the day."

Four Medals Carried Off by Asheville Boy

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va., June 12.—Four prizes in scholarship today are possessed by D. H. Hilder, of Asheville, N. C., according to awards announced last night. He wins the debating and oratory medals of the Jefferson Literary Society, the William Jennings Bryan prize for an essay on "Capital Punishment," as a theme upon the science of government, and the Linden Kent prize for the best biographical essay.

The Washington Literary Society is jubilant over its victory last night over the Jefferson Society in their annual debate at Cabell Hall, Lewis Tree, of Charlottesville, and W. L. James, of Ocean View, Del., are winners, respectively, of the oratory and debating medals of the Washington Society.

Thomas E. Loflin, of Rockledge, Va., is winner of the prize offered by Richmond Colonial Dames, for the best essay on Virginia colonial history.

Tennesseeans All Ready For Outing Tomorrow

All arrangements have been completed for the first annual outing of the Tennessee Society of Washington. Secretary W. J. Cawthon, has invited all Tennesseeans to the vicinity, regardless of the fact whether they are members of the society or not and a large crowd is looked for.

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# Slighted by Husband, Drinks Carbollic Acid

CHICAGO, June 12.—Suicide and not murder is the solution of a coroner's jury of the death of Mrs. Mattie R. Minard, wife of Charles W. Minard, principal of a Chicago school. Mrs. Minard took carbollic acid, the coroner's jury finds, during the absence of her husband Sunday. He said he had gone away on business, failing to notify his wife of his plans for the first time in a generation.

# Clerks to Celebrate Twelfth Anniversary

With a moonlight steamer trip to Colonial Beach, including an entertainment consisting of music and dancing on the boat, the members of the Retail Clerks' Association are to celebrate the twelfth anniversary of the organization of their mutual benefit association this evening. The excursion is to be a complimentary one, given by the Colonial Beach Company. The steamer St. Johns will leave the Seventh street wharf at 7 o'clock. The outing is in charge of D. F. Manning, president of the association.

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